

YEGGS WINGED  
BY BULLETSBut They Were Able to Get  
Away From Citizen Posse

## AFTER LIVELY ENCOUNTER

Exciting Time in Street at Gahonna,  
Ohio, Last Night, Following Robbery  
of Safe in Post Office—There  
Were Five Robbers.

Columbus, Ohio, March 23.—Following a safe robbery in the post office at Gahonna, a town ten miles from this city, which occurred at midnight last night, a fight took place between a party of citizens and deputy sheriffs, who had been aroused by the noise, and the robbers. There were five in the latter crowd, and two of them were injured by the fire of the citizens. However, the ammunition of the posse became exhausted, and the robbers were enabled to escape, carrying the two wounded companions with them.

## ADMITS GRAVE CRISIS.

Limantour Has No definite Plans for  
Solving Problem.

Mexico City, March 23.—Admitting that Mexico is facing a crisis even greater than he had believed, Minister of Finance Limantour yesterday said the administration had no definite plan for the solution of the problems confronting the government. It had no alternative but to continue the military program upon which it had entered, he said. Nevertheless, reforms which were intended to remedy the grievances were under consideration. The most important of these reforms was the revision of the electoral laws. This is an outline of the situation as presented by Mr. Limantour to a representative of the Associated Press yesterday, following a meeting of the cabinet.

That a great change in the attitude of the people toward the administration had taken place while Minister Limantour was abroad was a significant admission made by him. The administration, he said, was conducting a searching investigation to determine the exact cause and to find a remedy.

There was no disposition on its part to expose any vice reforms which might be demanded by a reasonable public, he said, but the administration did not purpose to accede to demands backed up by arguments of arms.

The administration recognized two classes in the dissatisfied public, one represented by the intelligent, but non-combustible element, and the other by the followers of Madero.

For the latter the administration had no terms other than those formulated at the war department.

Mr. Limantour frankly expressed surprise at the antagonism towards the administration that he had discovered.

## AWAITING AN ATTACK.

Juarez Defended by Artillerymen and  
Cavalry.

Juarez, Mexico, March 23.—The troops of the federal garrison here showed renewed activity to-day because of the expected attack of insurgents. This town, which is defended by 450 artillerymen and 180 cavalry, has been fortified by sandbags on the house tops, and it is believed that the non-combatants will be safe in case of bombardment.

## CUSTOMS RULES LAID DOWN.

Some Articles Free from Duty, Up to  
\$100 Value.

Washington, D. C., March 23.—Secretary MacVeagh has approved the new customs ruling, which the treasury department expects will do much to reduce the troubles of tourists returning from Europe and minimize the attempts to smuggle personal belongings. The new ruling specifies what articles returning Americans may bring in free up to the value of \$100, as follows: Clothing, toilet articles, jewelry, cameras, fishing tackle and guns, musical instruments, toys and shawls. The articles considered dutiable include household goods, pictures, tableware and linen, unless used by the owner for a year abroad.

## SENT TO JAIL.

Because He Failed to Pay Poll Tax in  
Ogdensburg.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., March 23.—Rather than pay a judgment of \$1.10 obtained against him by the city of Ogdensburg for non-payment of poll tax, Charles S. Bastion, a young businessman, was committed to jail yesterday. Bastion contested the city's right to assess the poll tax and carried the case to the appellate division, which unanimously decided against him.

Twisted by his customers, Bastion yesterday refused to pay and was arrested and committed to jail for five years. The outcome of this case has been awaited by nearly 800 tax delinquents.

## STILL NON-COMMITTAL.

Representative Foster Leaves Burling-  
ton for Washington.

Burlington, March 23.—Congressman D. J. Foster left yesterday noon for Washington, D. C., after a stay of a few days in the city. Mr. Foster was not ready to announce his stand in regard to reciprocity, but said that he would prepare a statement in a few days.

## WITHDRAWS RESIGNATION.

St. Petersburg Paper Says Stolypin Did  
So, Following Conference.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—Emperor Nicholas gave an audience to Premier Stolypin to-day and the Bourse Gazette publishes the announcement that the premier has withdrawn his resignation.

## GAYNOR ATTACKED

As Responsible for Disorganized Con-  
dition of Police.

New York, March 23.—In a statement to the public which he issued last night, Mayor Gaynor responsible for a disorganized condition of the police force and responsible for the prevalence of vice and crime in this city. The magistrate said he had written the statement after much thought and deliberation.

"The prevention and detection of crime is in the hands of the police," says the statement, "and Gaynor rules the force. He has curtailed the power of the commissioner, attempting to exercise it himself, and by so doing has demoralized the force and made easy the way of the transgressor."

"For eight years I have been directly concerned with the administration of criminal law in this city. I have made a long and careful investigation and here is what I have found:

"The town is by far more open than it was under Devery; there is not the slightest attempt made to enforce the excise law; there has never been a time when the more serious offenses connected with the social evil flourished with such impunity; gambling houses and pool rooms have increased and are now run without molestation, save for a few spectacular raids, and the visit of the collector; graft is as rampant and as profitable as it ever was."

"The town is infested with sturdy beggars and panhandlers, who walk the streets unmolested and take by force when they can what is denied to their pleadings; criminals from all over the country have come to New York in droves and ply their vocations here in safety; the more serious crimes, such as murders, shootings, slappings, gang feuds, highway robberies, burglaries, assaults, and larcenies from the person, grow in number undetected and unpunished."

He avers that "the police force is demoralized and terrified," and that any one may prove this by asking any policeman.

"We have had 15 months of government by epistle," he concludes, "and this is the result. The remedy is obvious, simple and drastic. It lies in the hands of the citizens."

WOMAN KILLED  
BY AUTOMOBILEMrs. Cynthia Holmes Belcher Knocked  
Down Last Night—The Driver  
Was Not Detained.

Boston, March 23.—While crossing Massachusetts avenue last night, Mrs. Cynthia Holmes Belcher of this city, an aged widow, of some note as a writer, was knocked down by an automobile, receiving injuries from which she died. The driver of the machine, who gave his name as Frederick T. Morse of Malden, was not detained by the police.

Mrs. Belcher had contributed to newspapers in the East and middle West for many years. She came from a prominent Vermont family.

## BODY ON THE BEACH

Had Wallet Containing \$150—Body Well  
Dressed.

New York, March 23.—On the body of a well-dressed man, washed ashore at Manhattan beach yesterday was a souvenir wallet containing about \$150 in money. The wallet was marked "With the compliments of Edward F. Campion, White House cafe and the State House." These places are in Albany, N. Y.

The man was about 35 years old, five feet nine inches in height, weighed 175 pounds, was smooth shaven. His scarf pin was a question mark with a pearl center.

## NEWCOMB THE LEADER.

Philadelphia Man Carries Off Prelimi-  
nary Shooting Honors.

New York, March 23.—C. H. Newcomb of Philadelphia carried off the honors in the two preliminaries decided yesterday in the sixth annual national amateur championship shoot at clay targets on the New York Athletic club's grounds at Travers Island. After breaking 66 of 90 in the first event, Newcomb broke 93 out of 100 targets in the next contest, in which 81 gunners took part.

## BULLETS FELL

Among United States Troops on the  
Rio Grande.

Presidio, Texas, March 23.—Shortly after the crossing of supplies from Presidio, intended for the Mexican troops besieged in Ojinaga, directly the Rio Grande had been stopped yesterday, bullets from federal rifles fell among a detachment of United States troops guarding the American side of the river. An explanation has been demanded of General Luque, in command of the Mexican troops.

## RATIFIED BY COLORADO.

Income Tax Amendment Gets Approval  
by Governor.

Denver, Colo., March 23.—The Colorado legislature has ratified the proposed amendment to the constitution providing for an income tax and the resolution has been approved by Governor Shafroth. Action was taken some time ago, but the action was not made public until yesterday.

## BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Alex. Odett of Bristol Files Bill in  
Bankruptcy.

Rutland, March 23.—Alexander Odett of Bristol, a farmer, has filed a petition in bankruptcy with clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court. His liabilities are \$800.35 and he gives his assets as \$548, with \$413 claimed exempt.

## Was Saved from Knockout.

Akron, Ohio, March 23.—George Kitson of Brooklyn was so outclassed in his scheduled ten-round fight last night with Johnny Coulon of Chicago, that Referee Walter C. Kelley stopped the bout in the fifth round to save Kitson from a knockout.

NEW RECORD  
IN THE AIRAviator and Eleven Passen-  
gers Flew Two Miles

## AT DOUAI, FRANCE, TODAY

Duis Broquet Made Successful Flight at  
a Height Varying from Fifty  
to Seventy Feet in a  
Monoplane.

Douai, France, March 23.—The aviator, Duis Broquet, made a record performance to-day by carrying eleven passengers in a monoplane for a distance of two miles. The flight was made at a height which varied from fifty to seventy feet. The total weight of the twelve persons and the machine was 2,602 pounds.

## FORCED OUT OF BUSINESS

By Big Concern, Was Testimony Given  
by Geo. W. Maytham.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 23.—George W. Maytham, formerly one of the principal tug owners on the Great Lakes, swore yesterday he had been financially ruined through the operations of the Great Lakes Towing company, which the government is seeking to dissolve on the ground that it is a combination in restraint of trade.

Maytham's testimony was given at a hearing in the federal building, where the taking of evidence to be used in the government's suit was continued after a week's adjournment. The Maytham family, father and sons, were in business from 1868 until 1901, when they sold out to the Great Lakes company.

Following alleged violations of the conditions of the sale Maytham and others again entered the tug business, but Maytham asserted they were again forced to sell out to the Great Lakes company at a heavy loss. A line of boats that cost \$230,000, Maytham swore, was taken over by the Great Lakes company for \$60,000 cash and stock, which afterwards brought \$50,000.

## SURPLUS ICE STARTS LITIGATION.

Union and Dorchester Companies in Dis-  
pute over Joint Enterprise.

Boston, March 23.—The Union Ice company and the Dorchester Ice company have started litigation over an agreement to harvest and house ice at the Weirs, N. H. The Union Ice company has filed a bill in equity seeking an accounting from the Dorchester Ice company, claiming \$3,961.33 with interest from 1909.

As the Dorchester Ice company lacked ice and as the plaintiff company had more ice ready for harvesting at the Weirs than it could use, the two firms entered into an agreement on February 20, 1909, to harvest and house the ice on a joint account. Temporary ice houses were to be built and the money received from the sale of lumber when they were torn down was to be deducted from the cost when the accounts were settled. Later the Union Ice company decided to make the ice houses permanent and this fact was taken into consideration by the firms.

The plaintiff now claims that it has paid all expenses and that after the defendant paid \$10,000 on account, delivered a small amount of ice and some hay, the defendant still owes the Union Ice company a considerable sum. A subpoena has been made returnable in April.

## PRIZE FIGHTERS ARRESTED.

Jimmy Gardner and Jack O'Keefe in  
Denver.

Denver, Colo., March 23.—Jimmy Gardner of Lowell, Mass., and Jack O'Keefe of Denver were arrested last night on a warrant issued by the district attorney's office, charging violation of the law against prize fighting. The warrants were issued at the request of the Christian Citizenship union. The men appeared before Justice of the Peace Gavin and gave bonds of \$200 each to appear to-day.

Gardner and O'Keefe were the principals in the main event at the Denver Press club show last Tuesday night.

## AGAIN VOTED BY N. H. HOUSE.

Reciprocity Measure Had Only Six Votes  
in Opposition.

Concord, N. H., March 23.—For a second time the House yesterday passed a resolution favoring the proposed income tax amendment to the federal constitution. Some time ago the House, by a viva voce vote, passed such a resolution, but it was killed in the Senate. It was reintroduced in the House and passed yesterday by a vote of 249 to 6. It now returns to the Senate.

## STRIKE CALLED OFF

Against Adams Express Company in  
New York City.

New York, March 23.—The strike against the Adams Express company, which directly affected Wells Fargo & Co., and the United States Express company, was declared off last night at a meeting of the strikers. No terms will be made with the men as a union, the company will treat with them as individuals when they apply for employment.

## Rector Tenders Resignation.

Richford, March 23.—Rev. F. Barnaby Leach, rector of St. Ann's Episcopal church, has tendered his resignation to take effect May 1. Ill health is given as the cause of his leaving the parish. He has accepted a position as state agent for the Canadian Pacific R. R. to sell railroad land in western Canada. He will remain in Richford until June 1.

## HANDLE MANY PIECES.

St. Johnsbury Letter Carriers Carried  
25,488 in Six Days.

St. Johnsbury, March 23.—During the six days from March 6 through March 11, the post office kept a tabulated account of all mail matter handled by the six carriers, as well as much other information relative to the carrier service. Postmaster Stone has just forwarded these returns to Washington. The number of pieces handled by the carrier force in the six days was 25,488 and the total weight was 2,578 tons, or over one ton and one-quarter. Each carrier averaged to handle 423 letters daily, which weighed 84 pounds, while each handled each day 291 pieces of printed matter and merchandise, which weighed 694 pounds. Thus each carrier averaged to handle daily 714 pieces of mail matter. Each carrier made an average of 510 stops daily and traveled 14.4 miles. The only mounted carrier in the service covered 18 miles daily.

These figures apply only to the carrier service and the total figures as to the number of pieces of mail matter handled in the week and their weight could be safely doubled if it included the mail handled by the four rural carriers and the large quantity routed for the boxes and the general delivery window service.

## WHITE SLAVE CASES.

Couple of Them in Boston and One  
Man Goes to Prison.

Boston, March 23.—Two so-called white slave cases came before the courts in Boston and Cambridge yesterday. On complaint of Beatrice G. Green, a 16-year-old Springfield girl, William E. Grunwald, aged 26, a newspaper room lunch clerk, was held in \$1,000 in the municipal court here for a hearing Friday on the charge of deriving support from the girl's earnings. Miss Green was held in \$100 as a witness.

Mrs. Grunwald and seven other women were arrested on various charges as the result of the Green girl's statements. Several of the defendants are lodging house keepers in the South End and Back Bay district. The women will be given a hearing on March 29.

In the Middlesex county superior court at Cambridge, Morris Rosenthal, a Boston real estate dealer, was sentenced to a term of from four to five years in the state prison on charges made by Esther Anderson and Clementine Charland, young girls, who said they had been lured from Taunton to Malden.

## R. W. TAFT FOR CLERK

Of Burlington City Court Is Judge  
Palmer's Choice.

Burlington, March 23.—Judge Cornelius S. Palmer, who was appointed in January by Gov. Mead to be judge of the city court to succeed Judge Edmund C. Mower, has announced the appointment of Russell W. Taft as clerk of the court to succeed Joseph T. Stearns, who has held the position for 11 years, six under Judge E. W. J. Hawkins and five under Judge Mower. Mr. Taft's appointment takes effect on April 1.

Mr. Taft is one of Burlington's best known young lawyers, having lived in this city all his life. He was born May 4, 1878, in Burlington, and is the son of the late Judge Russell S. Taft. He was graduated from the Burlington high school in 1894 and from the university of Vermont, 1908, with the degree of A. B. He was admitted to the bar in October, 1899, ranking first in a class of 32. Since that time he has practiced in Burlington.

## SECRET TALK WITH MELLEEN.

New Hampshire Legislative Committee  
Confers on Problems.

Concord, N. H., March 23.—Thirteen members of the special legislative committee which is considering the matter of railroad rates in this state held a conference here yesterday with President Charles S. Mellen and Vice President Timothy E. Byrnes of the Boston & Maine railroad. The conference was behind closed doors.

Only the Republican members of the committee were present to yesterday's conference, the two Democratic committeemen declining to attend unless the conference were thrown open to the public. Attorneys Edgar J. Rich and John W. Kelley, for the railroad, and Sherman E. Burroughs and Edmund S. Cook, for the state, also were present.

It had been expected that the committee would submit its report to the legislature to-day, but last night it was believed that the report would be further delayed.

## WANTS HER DAUGHTER.

Gertrude Pageau Left St. Johnsbury on  
March 14.

Burlington, March 23.—Mrs. Agnes Pageau, of 84 Eastern avenue, St. Johnsbury, is seeking the whereabouts of her daughter, Gertrude Pageau, who left her home in St. Johnsbury the morning of March 14. It is thought that she may have come to Burlington. The girl is 23 years old, about five feet tall, dark complexion, weight about 115 pounds. She was dressed when she left home in a black dress, black caracul coat, and Persian gray silk hat. She speaks both French and English. No explanation can be given for her leaving home.

## GOING TO RUTLAND.

Rev. G. F. Fortier, Who Recently Re-  
signed in Northfield.

Rutland, March 23.—Rev. G. F. Fortier, who recently resigned as pastor of the Universalist church at Northfield, has accepted a call to the church of that denomination in this city and will begin his pastorate the first Sunday in April.

## Essex Judge of Probate.

Governor Mead has appointed E. O. Carril of Canaan to be judge of probate for Essex county to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Blake of Island Pond.

Judge Carril is the present representative from Canaan in the general assembly and ought to fill the office to the satisfaction of all concerned.

A WOOLWORTH  
STORE BURNSTogether With Building at  
Danbury, Conn., Today

## HIGH WINDS PREVAILED

Surrounding Property Was Threatened,  
and the Firemen Had a Very Stub-  
born Fight Before Putting Out  
the Fire.

Danbury, Conn., March 23.—Woolworth's five and ten-cent store, a three-story building on Main street, was destroyed by fire to-day, causing a loss of \$20,000. The high winds which prevailed threatened to spread the flames to the surrounding property, and the firemen had a stubborn fight before the flames were put under control.

## TWO SERIOUS FIRES

Visited Taunton, Mass., On the Same  
Day—Total Loss \$27,000.

Taunton, Mass., March 23.—Taunton was visited by two serious fires yesterday, one of which destroyed the plant of the Cogswell Silver company, manufacturers of silver plated ware, with a loss of \$20,000, and the other doing \$7,000 damage to the factory of the Taunton Oilcloth works.

Three workmen were trapped on an upper floor by the fire in the oilcloth works, and two of them were severely burned in rushing through the flames to the stairways, while the third jumped from a window and sustained a bad shaking up and numerous bruises. John Waldron, 40 of Avon street, was burned about the face and hands, and George Turner, 42 Kilton street, received burns on one hand and arm. John Winkler of Third avenue was the man who jumped.

This fire started from spontaneous combustion in the drying department, occupying one of the several buildings connected with the establishment, and burned up through the roof. There were about fifty employees at work in the building at the time, but with the exception of the three mentioned, all were able to make their escape before the fire became menacing.

Forty employees were driven out by the blaze at the plant of the Cogswell Silver company and although all escaped uninjured, there were many who were obliged to leave their personal effects behind. The blaze started in the lacquer room and spread rapidly to other parts of the structure, causing almost a total loss. The loss is covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is not known.

COURT HEARS CASE,  
ANOTHER JURY OUTThe Next Case Is That in Which City  
of Barre Is Sued by Joseph Long  
& Co. on Orange Reservoir  
Contract.

The jury in the \$5,000 accident case, brought by Onesimo Morin against Jones Bros. company of Barre, reported this morning that they were unable to agree after wrestling with the case since yesterday afternoon, and Judge Miles, who presiding over Washington county court, sent them back for another try. They came in shortly afterwards and inquired if it were permissible for them to use their own knowledge of the Barre quarries as an aid in reaching a verdict. They received a negative reply from the judge and were sent back to their deliberations.

The case of Oliver Stone vs. Fred E. Chambers, alleged seduction, was taken up this morning, the plaintiff, residing in Barre, suing for his daughter, Clara, and asking \$2,000 damages from the defendant, a resident of Orange. The plaintiff and his daughter were on the stand, followed by the defendant. The latter denied the entire allegation. The Stone girl was formerly employed in the Chambers family for a period of one year and four months.

The next case to be taken up is that of Joseph Long & Co. vs. City of Barre, in which the plaintiff seeks to recover on a contract for building the storage reservoir of the defendant municipality in Orange.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

H. C. Comings of Richford was a business visitor in the city to-day.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Jenkins and little daughter of Northfield were visitors in the city to-day.

Joseph Long returned to Barre last night, after spending a few days in Boston on business.

The victorious Goddard seminary basketball quintet returned this noon from Burlington and were met at the train by a bargeful of enthusiastic students. On either side of the barge, the word "Champions" was inscribed in large letters. Each student within was armed with a tin horn. The players were escorted around the city in the barge amid the tooting of the horns. Arriving at the seminary, the members of the team were carried into the building on the shoulders of the students.

## URGED MANUAL TRAINING.

President Spooner of Norwich University  
Spoke in Barre Last Night.

A plea for manual training in the public schools of Vermont was made by President C. S. Spooner of Norwich university at a meeting of the University club of Barre, held at the home of Henry A. Phelps on Academy street last evening. He said that very little had been done in the state along this line, the first attempt in the public high schools being at Bellows Falls, he believed, and being followed by establishment of courses in a few other schools.

President Spooner prefaced his discussion of the theme by reading the historical development of the manual training idea, declaring that in Vermont it was first mentioned in the year 1810 but nothing resulted from the remarks made then. It was not until the "Morrill act" of 1862 that the idea of manual training became firmly fixed in the colleges of the country, and it was many years later than the secondary schools of the country began to take up the work. He then outlined the development of manual training school courses in the city of St. Louis, where he was formerly engaged, saying that the public sentiment of the place was against manual training in the public schools, so that the establishment of courses had to be done by private subscriptions, one man being largely responsible for the innovation.

This man, who was somewhat of a politician, too, declared the speaker, twice asked the school board to introduce manual training, but was refused upon. Then he asked if the board would accept the courses if the cost was borne by private parties. This the board had to accept, and the courses were established in a small way. Then the parents began to see the benefit of the courses, and they demanded more, since which time the city of St. Louis has established manual training in all of its public high schools, and the work is considered very valuable indeed.

President Spooner presented a number of exhibits of work done in the St. Louis manual training school, and the exhibits were passed around for the audience to inspect while the speaker described them.

President Spooner thought manual training would be particularly good for Barre, both in the line of mechanics arts for the boys and domestic science for the girls, and he believed that there ought to be special courses in the reference to the great industry of the city, just as there ought to be special courses to suit the local conditions in any city. The speaker urged those present to foster a spirit which shall demand the establishment of manual training here.

Following the lecture, the guests enjoyed a social hour and were presented to the speaker of the evening, and light refreshments were served.

## DEATH OF HARRY BLATOLI.

Prominent Granite Manufacturer One of  
First Italians to Come to Montpelier.

In the death of Harry Blatoli, Montpelier and the granite trade lose one of the most prominent manufacturers of the stone business. Mr. Blatoli had been suffering from a throat trouble for some time, which had kept him from work, and last evening his death occurred, having been preceded by several weeks of rapidly failing health.

He was born in Italy 47 years ago and came to America at the age of 18 years. For a time he was in New York City, but was among the first of his countrymen to come to Montpelier. There he established the granite manufacturing plant on River street, which is still in operation. He had seen large numbers of Italians join him in that city and had watched the growth of the granite industry to large proportions.

Mr. Blatoli is survived by a wife and six children, five girls and one boy.

## WELL-KNOWN RESIDENT.

Henry Barber of Westerville Died Yes-  
terday Afternoon.

The death of Henry Barber, a longtime resident of Westerville, occurred at his home yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, after a week's illness with pneumonia. He leaves two brothers, William Barber, of Morrisville, and Samuel, who lives in Canada. One sister, residing in Canada, also survives. Mr. Barber was 67 years old. He was never married. For many years he had been employed as a quarryman. He was a member of Granite encampment, No. 29, I. O. O. F., of East Barre, and of Granite lodge, No. 35, F. & A. M., of this city. The funeral will be held in the Episcopal church at Westerville to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock. The interment will be in Hope cemetery. Miss Will was terribly hurt while ironing in the Waverly hospital, Boston, where she was employed, on January 4, and since that time no hopes of her recovery were held. A few weeks ago she was removed from the Waverly hospital to the Massachusetts General hospital.

## BODY BROUGHT TO BARRE.

Miss Elsie Will Died in Boston from  
Burns—Funeral To-morrow.

The body of Miss Elsie Will, who died in the Massachusetts General hospital at Boston, was brought to this city last night and taken to the home of her cousin, George Mutch, of 103 Washington street, where the funeral services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment will be in Hope cemetery. Miss Will was terribly hurt while ironing in the Waverly hospital, Boston, where she was employed, on January 4, and since that time no hopes of her recovery were held. A few weeks ago she was removed from the Waverly hospital to the Massachusetts General hospital.

She was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, 25 years ago, and eight years ago came to this city to reside at the home of Mr. Mutch. About three years ago she went to Boston to accept a position in the Waverly hospital. Besides several cousins in this city, she leaves two brothers and five sisters in Scotland.

## ELDERLY MAN DEAD.

O. S. Rixford of East Highgate Died  
To-day.

East Highgate, March 23.—Hon. O. S. Rixford, aged 83 years, died at his home here this morning after a short illness of kidney trouble. The funeral will be held from the late home Monday at 1 o'clock. He leaves one son, O. H. Rixford, and two daughters, Mrs. Norman Knight of Andover, Conn., and Miss Susan Rixford of this place. Mr. Rixford represented this town three times in the state legislature as representative, and also was a senator from this county. He was a candidate for Congress in the Greeley campaign. He was a manufacturer of scythes, having continued the business which his father started 99 years ago.

CUTTING JOB  
IS AWARDEDPresbrey-Coykendall Com-  
pany Gets Contract

## FOR BARRE POST OFFICE

The Contract Calls for a Little More  
Than 12,000 Cubic Feet of Barre  
Granite and Cutting Will Start  
as Soon as Stock Is Secured.

The contract for finishing and cutting the granite for the new post office, to be erected at the corner of South Main and Prospect streets, has been awarded to the Presbrey-Coykendall Co. of this city. Mr. Presbrey, of the company, arrived in Barre from New York City this morning to make arrangements for beginning work on cutting the job, which will begin as soon as stock can be secured. The building calls for a little over 12,000 cubic feet of granite. The Westchester Engineering company of New York has the complete contract from the government.

## THE BARRE CONTRACT.

More Information About the Post Office  
Construction.

N. D. Phelps of this city has received the following copy of a letter to Congressman Frank Plumley in relation to the Barre post office building. Congressman Plumley has given this matter special attention since the question came up as to the granite to be used in the